

An Announcement from the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health



DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARING

The Department of Mental Health's public hearing and comment period on amendments to the following regulations will be published in the Massachusetts Register on September 3, 2021:

The proposed regulations are posted on the DMH website and can be viewed at: https://www.mass.gov/service-details/dmh-proposed-regulations.

104 CMR 26.00 Organizational Structure and Citizen Participation

The proposed amendments change the designation of the DMH units at Tewksbury Hospital to conform to current practice, as well as changing the title of the Women's Recovery from Addiction Program (WRAP) to Recovery from Addiction Program (RAP), as that program expands to include men committed for treatment under M.G.L. c. 123 s. 35.

104 CMR 32.00 Investigations and Reporting Responsibilities

The proposed amendments make largely technical changes to assure compliance with privacy laws, clarify the process for investigating privacy complaints, create and/or clarify reporting requirements for programs and facilities contracted by DMH to provide services, clarify and make consistent the processes for reconsideration and/or appeals of decision, and clarify monitoring responsibilities.

PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT PERIOD

A virtual Public Hearing will be conducted by the Department at 2:00 pm on Wednesday, September 29, 2021. Comment Period ends on September 29, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

The **Notice of Public Hearing** includes a link and instructions for attending the virtual Public Hearing.

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